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Applicant : Henrick K. Gille et al. Art Unit : 3739
Serial No. : 09/546,097 Examiner : Hank M. Johnson
Filed : April 10, 2000
Title : CUTTING AND CAUTERIZING SURGICAL TOOLS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF JANUARY 1, 2004

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Total Claims	91	-	92	=	0	\$0
Independent	8	-	8	=	0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						\$0

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 3 month extension of time.

\$475


TOTAL FEE DUE

\$475

A check for \$475 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 21, 2004


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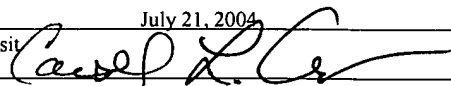
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